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sulphur dioxide being used for the purpose, the clothing being first unpacked. A case of cholera occurred among this crew while they were in barracks at dry dock.

The following is a statement of the communicable diseases which were reported in the municipality for the week ended October 26: Smallpox, 1 case, 10 deaths; cholera, 8 deaths; diphtheria, 1 case; scarlet fever, 1 case; tuberculosis, 1 case.

The cholera situation, it will be observed, is improving, and the disease is not reported as having had any victims among the foreign population for three weeks. The disease has been officially reported here since June of this year, and the statistics obtainable show that 1,440 deaths had occurred up to the 26th instant. It will be borne in mind that while the official reports showed a maximum of 181 deaths per week, it has been estimated upon excellent authority that they amounted to as high as 300 per day.

During the prevalence of this epidemic, cholera has invaded almost every section of Shanghai, attacking not only the natives, but more than twice as many foreigners as upon any previous occasion. It has found victims in some of the best European families here, and the best hotel, notwithstanding the fact that every precaution was taken against it. The origin of the disease in such cases seems to be a matter of doubt.

In obedience to Bureau telegram of the 26th instant, I have discontinued issuing certificates to cabin passengers, and will in future only require them to be present at the final inspection of the vessel before sailing.

S. H. RANSOM,
Acting Assistant Surgeon.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

EGYPT.

Report on cholera.

CAIRO, EGYPT, *November 10, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to confirm the following cablegram to the Department regarding the cholera in Egypt:

CAIRO, EGYPT, *November 8, 1902.*

SECRETARY OF STATE, *Washington;*

Since 1st instant 147 cases of cholera, 132 deaths—all Egypt.—SMITH.

The following will show the number of cases and deaths by cities and provinces for the week ended November 8, 1902:

Egypt.	New cases.	Deaths.	Egypt.	New cases.	Deaths.
Cities:			Provinces— <i>Cont'd.</i>		
Cairo.....	1	2	Galioubieh.....	6	4
Alexandria.....	15	38	Menoufieh.....		9
Damietta.....		6	Guizeh.....		1
El Arish.....		1	Minish.....	1	3
Provinces:			Keneh.....	48	55
Garbieh.....	2	1	Assouan.....		1
Behera.....	1	7	Soudan.....		1
Charkieh.....		1			
Dakalieh.....		2			

Total number of reported cases in all Egypt since outbreak (July 15, 1902) is 39,568 cases, 33,715 deaths, and 5,819 cures.

Respectfully,

H. T. SMITH,

United States Vice Consul-General, In Charge.

The ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.